

*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

3. (Currently Amended) An isolated or purified human nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 ~~or a fragment thereof of at least six nucleotides.~~

12.-15 (Cancelled)

16. A vector comprising the isolated or purified nucleic acid of claim 3.

17. A host cell comprising the vector of claim 16.

18. A composition comprising the isolated or purified nucleic acid of claim 3 and a carrier therefor.